REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of September 11, 2003, which required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121, Applicants elect to prosecute claims 13-20 (Group II), which are drawn to a method of preparing a compound via solvent extraction of Ecklonia cava followed by fractionation/separation/recovery steps.

Applicants expressly reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Please charge any fees which may be due and which have not been submitted to our Deposit Account No. 01-0035.

Respectfully submitted

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